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IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

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PCT/GB00/01159

International filing date (day/month/year)

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NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION

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International application No. PCT/GB00/01159	Applicant's or agent's file reference SPG/P36077WO
International filing date (day/month/year) 28 March 2000 (28.03.00)	Priority date (day/month/year) 29 March 1999 (29.03.99)
Applicant SMITH, Steve et al	

1. The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:

☒ in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on:

19 October 2000 (19.10.00)

☐ in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:

2. The election ☒ was

☐ was not

made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference SPG/P36077W0	FOR FURTHER ACTION see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
International application No. PCT/GB 00/ 01159	International filing date (day/month/year) 28/03/2000	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 29/03/1999
Applicant FTL Seals Technology Limited et al.		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

b. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing :

☐ contained in the international application in written form.

☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.

☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.

☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.

☐ the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

☐ the statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

☒ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention.

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☐ None of the figures.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

GB 00/01159

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 F16L55/28 B08B9/04

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 F16L B08B

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2 887 118 A (LOEFFLER ET AL.) 19 May 1959 (1959-05-19)	1-6, 8, 10, 14, 15, 18, 23, 28
A	column 2, line 17 - line 22 column 3, line 64 - line 72 column 4, line 23 - line 30; figures ---	11, 12
X	EP 0 378 480 A (SPIE TRINDEL) 18 July 1990 (1990-07-18)	1, 2, 4, 6-9, 14, 15, 18, 20, 24, 28
A	column 6, line 50 - column 7, line 4; figures --- -/--	5, 23, 25, 27

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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A	claim 9; figures ---	11,12,27
X	WO 97 14910 A (SIEMENS AG ;DIPPEL BRUNO (DE); STROBEL REINHARDT (DE); DIRAUF FRAN) 24 April 1997 (1997-04-24)	1,2,4,6, 8-10,14, 15,19, 24,28
X	CH 676 092 A (REINHART S A) 14 December 1990 (1990-12-14)	16,21, 23,28
A	abstract; figures ---	17
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

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WO 9714910	A	24-04-1997	NONE	
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